



DECLARATION

I, Yoshiharu Kobata, of SHIGA INTERNATIONAL PATENT OFFICE, OR Building, 23-3, Takadanobaba 3-chome, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, Japan, understand both English and Japanese, am the translator of the English document attached, and do hereby declare and state that the attached English document contains an accurate translation of the abstract of the Japanese specification filed on September 14, 1999, under the filing number 09/396,349, and that all statements made herein are true to the best of my knowledge.

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